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PATENT

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Applicant:	AOYAGI et al.	Examiner:	WORTMAN, D.
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 23, 2003, with the period for timely response extended by three months, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.